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"Islands, Castles & Portable Operations"
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22/07/2011: Stewart, GM4AFF, is active from Kampala, Uganda, until 29 July 2011 as 5X1SF. Focus will be on 20m CW and SSB. QSL via GM4FDM. [dx-world.net]

22/07/2011: Rick, K6VVA and Mike, K9AJ plan to activate Point Lay Barrier Island (IOTA NA-242, USi New One), Alaska, for 3 days QRV between 22-26 July 2011, using the callsign K9AJ/KL7. First-time activation of NA-242. Activity will be mostly CW on 40/30/20/17/15m depending upon WX and North Latitude propagation. Dates may change slightly depending upon local weather. QSL via N6AWD, direct or by the bureau. Information and updates at: www.k6vva.com/iota/na242 [islandchaser.com]

22/07/2011: Operators Antonio CU8AS, Arlindo CT1EGW, Carlos CT1END, Joao Rafael CT1BOP, Luis CT1EEQ, Luis CT4NH and Hermann/HB9CRV will be active as CT7/homecall and CT7/homecall/p from Insua Island (IOTA EU-150, DIP MI-001, PIP NT-001, DCFP F-006, DCP CVC-046 and CVC-047, DMHP VC-017 and VC-061, DFP FM-101, DMP 1602, DDFP CMN-12, WW Loc. IN51NU). Activity will be on all HF bands and modes. They will also be active in the RSGB IOTA Contest (30-31 July) using the callsign CR6W. It is planned that some operators will stay some extra days on Insua Island and activate the lighthouse (ARLHS POR-028, WLOTA 2869). QSL CR6W via CS1GDX. QSL others via their home callsigns. Further information can be found at: gpdx.netpower.pt/ and www.to-mk.com/neu/ [Southgate ARC]

22/07/2011: Operators IS0ANU, Daniele IS0BGL, Carlo IS0JOO, Nicola IS0BMU, Franco IS0EUJ, Giorgio IZ3KVD, Vittorio I1BUP, Antonio I1ZB, Claudio IZ1DNJ, Danio I5OYY and Simone IK5RUN will be active as IM0P from San Pietro Island (IOTA EU-165, IIA CI-009, MIA MIS-031, WLOTA 2989, WAIS FM10, Grid Loc. JM49) between 22nd July and 2nd August 2011. This includes an Island DXpedition entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (30-31 July). Plans are to be QRV on 160-6 metre SSB, CW and RTTY. Depending on weather and sea conditions they will also operate from a number of nearby islands: Isola del Corno (EU-165, IIA CI-001), Isola Piana (EU-165, IIA CI-007), Isola dei Ratti (EU-165, IIA CI-008), Isola di Calavinagra (EU-165, IIA CI-011), Isola di Stea (EU-165, IIA CI-016), Isola Genia (EU-165, IIA CI-019) and Isola Sant'Antioco (EU-024, IIA CI-010).QSL via IZ1DNJ. [NG3K/425 DX News]

22/07/2011: Peter, N4LI and Chris, WA4CB will be active on the 22nd of July 2011 as N4LI/4 from Santa Rosa Island (IOTA NA-142, USi FL003S), Escambia/Okaloosa Counties, Florida. QRV 20m Backpack portable. Bicycles, battery, dipole, 5W/10W. QSL via N4LI. [rsgbiota.org]

22/07/2011: Byron, KF8UN, will be in Peru between 22nd July and 16th August 2011 and plans to be active as OA4/KF8UN. QRV 20 metres, devoting 8th August to amateur radio, but will be on casually at other times. Byron will check in as often as possible with the YL International Single Sideband System Net on 14332 kHz. QSL via his home callsign. [OPDX Bulletin]

22/07/2011: Beni ON3BL, Eddy ON4CCK, Erik ON4CCV, Francois ON4LO and Walter ON8CW will be active as PA/ON4LO/p from Schouwen Duiveland (IOTA EU-146, WLOTA

3089) on 22-24 July 2011. They will operate SSB and digital modes on 80-10 metres. QSL via ON4LO, direct or bureau. [425 DX News]

22/07/2011: Victor, R6AF, is now active as R6AF/p from Sudzhuk Island (IOTA EU-185, RRA RR-24-02, RDA KR-07) until 1 August 2011, including an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (SOAB HP IOTA expedition). QRV on all HF bands. QSL via home call. [NG3K]

22/07/2011: Frank, K3TRM, is currently active as V31RN from Placencia, Belize, until 25 July 2011. QRV on all HF bands, propagation permitting. QSL via home call. [AT International]

23/07/2011: Carsten ('Doc'), DF1XC will be active as 8P9XC from Saint Philip Parish, Barbados (IOTA NA-021, WLOTA 0999, WW Loc. GK03GC) between 23 July and 15 August 2011. QRV holiday style on the HF bands. QSL via home call, bureau or direct. [OPDX Bulletin]

23/07/2011: Alex, IK8YFU will be active as ID9/IK8YFU from Stromboli Island (IOTA EU-017, IIA ME-016, MIA MI-109, WFF IFF-445, WLOTA 1996, Grid Loc. JM78) on 23-30 July 2011. He plans to be QRV on 40-10m as well as on 6m. QSL via home call and LoTW. [425 DX News]

23/07/2011: The Extreme DX & Contest Group, weather permitting, will be active as IL3A from La Certosa Island (IOTA EU-131, IIA VE-018, MIA MI-044), Venice Lagoon, on Saturday, 23 July 2011. Plans are to be QRV on 40 and 20 metre CW and SSB. Operators will include Nicola IZ3EBA, Stefano IZ3NVR and Sergio IZ3NXC. QSL card via Mario IK3HHX, bureau or direct. Further information can be found at: www.extremegroup.org/ [IZ3EBA]

23/07/2011: The Lake Martin Amateur Radio Club (K4YWE) is going to have a late field day. They plan to operate from Woods Island (USi AL036, WW Loc. EM72BT), in northern Lake Martin, Tallapoosa county, Alabama. Plans, at this time, are to be on the air with two stations on 80, 40, 20, and 10 metres (3.965, 7.250, 14.250-14.260 (main), 28.350 and 28.450 mHz) phone. They will have a beautiful QSL card showing an antique boat from one of the boat shows held on Lake Martin. QSL via QRZ.com. [USi]

23/07/2011: Matt, K0BBC and, Valerie K0VAL will be active as K9M from Madeline Island (USi WI006L), Lake Superior, Ashland County, Wisconsin, on 23-30th July 2011. QRV on 7.250, 21.350, 14.250~14.260 and 28.450 MHz phone, with some PSK31 attempted. QSL via K0BBC (Matthew T Holden, 8161 33rd Ave S Unit 706, Bloomington, MN 55425). [USi]

23/07/2011: Mek, SP7VC and Waldi, SP7IDX will be active as LA/SP7VC and LA/SP7IDX from Vega Island (IOTA EU-062, WW Loc. JP65BQ) between 23 July and 2 August 2011, RSGB IOTA Contest (30-31 July) included. Activity will be holiday style (they also like fishing!). Plans are to use 2 stations, one for the HF bands and the second for the 50Mhz. Operation will be 80-6m using SSB and RTTY. Equipment will consist of IC-746, TS-2000X, HEX beam, R-7 vertical, 6el. yagi for 6m, PA 500W for HF and 6m. QSL via home calls, bureau or direct and LoTW. [NG3K]

23/07/2011: Dieter, DF2SD, will be vacationing on the island of Fano (IOTA EU-125, DIA NS-002) from 23 July to 2 August 2011. QRV holiday style on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 metre SSB, including an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (30-31 July). A special QSL card in high quality will be printed. QSL via DF2SD, direct ($2, IRC + SAE), bureau and LoTW. [rsgbiota.org]

23/07/2011: Laurent, F8BBL, is expected to return to southern Corsica between 23 July and 6 August 2011. He will be active as TK11QRP from Olmeto Plage resort on Grande Sanguinaire Island (EU-104, DIFM TK-002, MIA MCO-022, WLOTA 0098), Department Corse-du-Sud/2A and Province Corse (DPF 09). Activity will be on 80-10m, mainly on CW with some SSB and Digital operations. He will use a FT857D with a MP-1 vertical antenna. QSL via LoTW or to F8BBL, direct or by the REF bureau. [OPDX Bulletin]

23/07/2011: The Hellenic Amateur Radio of Association of Australia are planning a major DXpedition to Lord Howe Island (IOTA OC-004, WFF VKFF-295, WW Loc. QF98MO) between 23rd July and 2nd August 2011. Operators include Tommy, VK2IR (team leader), John, VK3YP (co-leader), Raffy VK2RF, Peter VK2NN, Bruce VK2KLM, Ed VK2ARE, Alex OZ7AM, Don N4HH, Les W2LK and Saul K2XA. The team will be on the Island for approx. 10 days, and will be operating on multiple bands simultaneously to give everyone the chance to contact Lord Howe Island. QSL via EB7DX, direct and LoTW. Website: www.vk9hr.com/ [VK3YP]

23/07/2011: The Lakeshore Amateur Radio Association will activate Door Island (USi WI043, WW Loc. EN65JB), Lake Michigan, Door County, Wisconsin, using the special callsign W9L, starting Saturday afternoon (23 July 2011) and possibly Sunday (24 July) morning. Operators include Carl KA9WYK, Lois KC9LFT, and Rich KC9LOA. They will concentrate on 20m and maybe other bands depending on propagation with some digital possible. QSL via KA9WYK, direct (QRZ.com). [USi]

24/07/2011: Operators John IK8LIU, Francesco IK8WEJ, Vincenzo IZ0FKE, Oreste IZ8EDJ, Aurelio IZ8EGM, Rosario IZ8KNW, Dario IZ8LKL, Fabio IZ8OJG and Giuseppe IZ8UZF will be active as IC8L on the 24th of July 2011 from Licosa Island (IOTA EU-031, IIA SA-001, MIA MI-051, WW Loc. JN70KG) and lighthouse (WAIL CA-020, ARLHS ITA-089, TWLHD WLH I-019, WLOTA 3342). The island of Licosa is also part of the Cilento and Vallo di Diano National Park (WFF IFF-008), and is located in the Campania Region, Salerno Province (SA), Comune of Castellabate. Expect activity on all HF bands, propagation permitting. QSL via IZ8EGM, direct or bureau. [IZ8EDJ]

24/07/2011: Look for Rene, DH3BEA, to be active as OZ/homecall from Fano Island (IOTA EU-125, DIA NS-002) between 24th of July and 5th of August 2011. Expect activity on, or near, the usual island and IOTA frequencies, propagation permitting. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

24/07/2011: Axel, DL7VEA, will be active from Bornholm Island (IOTA EU-030, DIA BO-001, WLOTA 2203) as OZ7VEA between 24 July and 5 August 2011, including an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (30-31 July). Expect activity on all HF bands. QSL via DL7VEA, direct or bureau. Website: oz7vea2011.blogspot.com/ [rsgbiota.org]

24/07/2011: Jon, WB8YJF, will be active again as WB8YJF/4 from Ocracoke Island (IOTA NA-067, USi NC001S, WLOTA 0466), Hyde County, North Carolina, from 24-31 July 2011. QRV on 80-10 metres using CW, RTTY and SSB. He will also be active in the RSGB IOTA Contest. QSL direct via the address on QRZ.com for a fast reply. [OPDX Bulletin]

24/07/2011: Operators Werner DJ9KH, Wolf DK1IP, Rainer DL7OR, Gerd DJ4KW and Arno DL1CW will be active from Georgetown, Ascension Island (IOTA AF-003, WLOTA 1491) as ZD8D between 24 July and 9 August 2011. This will include an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (30-31st July). Plans are to be QRV on 160-10m with two stations. Focus will be on CW and the digital modes. QSL direct or bureau. Website: www.zd8d.de/ [rsgbiota.org]

25/07/2011: Geoff, G0PFH, will be heading to Scotland to activate a trio of lighthouses between 25-29th July 2011. He will be activating the following

lighthouses utilizing the Halifax club callsign GS2UG: Killantringan Lighthouse (ARLHS SCO-111, BARLS A 4606X, WLOTA 1234, WAB NW95); Portpatrick Lighthouse (ARLHS SCO 177, BARLS A 4607, WLOTA 1234, WAB NW95); and Southerness Lighthouse (ARLHS SCO-223, BARLS A 4653X, WLOTA 1234, WAB NX95). Geoff is uncertain as to the order the lighthouses will be activated, but the preliminary information is available on QRZ.com under the callsign GS2UG. This info will be updated as his plans become firm. Please be sure to read and follow the QSL instructions. [OPDX Bulletin]

25/07/2011: Look for Rich, NC4EN/p, to be active holiday style from Bogue Banks [aka Emerald Island] (IOTA NA-112, USi NC010S), Carteret, North Carolina, on 25-30th July 2011. He will be using a DZKit Sienna and Buddistick from the beach house. QSL direct only to his home callsign. [rsgbiota.org]

25/07/2011: Laci, HA0NAR, will be active as SX8R from Skala Rachoni, Thassos [aka Thasos] Island (IOTA EU-175, GIOTA NAS-037, MIA MG-124, WLOTA 4186), between 25th July and 1 August 2011. QRV 160-6 metres in CW, SSB and RTTY using vertical antennas. Laci will also participate in the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31). QSL via home call. [dx-world.net]

25/07/2011: Gregg, VE3ZZ/VY2 [aka PA9ZZ], will again be QRV on Prince Edward Island (IOTA NA-029, CIsA PE-001, WLOTA 0523, WW Loc. FN76VS) between 25th July and 1st August 2011 from the VY2TT superstation. He will participate in the RSGB IOTA Contest (30-31st July) as a Single-Op/Mixed/24hr/High-Power entry. QSL via home call, bureau or direct. [VE3ZZ]

26/07/2011: Alexey UR5GDX, Ivan UR8GX, Nick UR3GO, Leo UT7CL, Roman UR3CJR will be QRV from the Ostrova Kalanchakskiye (IOTA EU-179, UIA BS-008, WW Loc. KN66OB), Kherson region (HE), Ukraine, between 26 July and 3 August 2011. The team plans to be active on 80-10m CW and SSB as homecall/p. QSL via UR8GX. Website: ur5gdx.at.ua/index/iota_expedition/0-12 [OPDX Bulletin]

26/07/2011: Aaron, W6ANM, will be active as V63FAA from Kosrae Island (IOTA OC-059, WLOTA 1569) on 26-29th July 2011, and from the Pohnpei Islands (IOTA OC-010) between 30th July and 4th August 2011. Activity will be focused on 40 and 20 metre CW and SSB. A contact can be scheduled via the E-mail address on QRZ.com for any HF band. QSL via LoTW or direct to W6ANM (please include SASE). Website: home.comcast.net/~V63FAA-2011/site/?/home [OPDX Bulletin]

26/07/2011: Andrea, IZ2LSC will be active holiday style from Mexico between 26th of July and 8th of August 2011, using the callsign XE3/IZ2LSC. Plans are to be QRV on on 30-6m CW, SSB, Digital modes. QSL via EB7DX direct, or via IZ2LSC burau and LoTW. [AT International]

27/07/2011: Juri, ES5GP, will be active as ES4GP or ES4WK from Vaindloo Islet (IOTA EU-149, WW Loc. KO39ET) and lighthouse (ARLHS EST-057, WLOTA 1142) between 27 July and 3 August 2011. Juri will also be active in the RSGB IOTA Contest (30-31 July). QRV as follows: HF - 1kW, spider beam 20-10m; windom 80-10m (SSB;DIGI). 6 metres - 500w 4 el. yagi (SSB). 2 metres - 100w 4 el. yagi (FM;SSB). QSL via the ES bureau. [NG3K]

27/07/2011: Jari, OH1JO, will be active again from Kaunissaari island (IOTA EU-140) between 27th July and 4th August 2011, using the callsign OH1K. Main band will be 20m, but other bands will be used too. QSL via OH1JO, direct or bureau. Further information will be posted at: www.qrz.com/db/OH1K [dx-world.net]

27/07/2011: Laci HA6NL (J48NL), Sanyi HA7JJS (J48JJ), Laci HA7PL (J48P) and Andor HA5AOP (SV8/HA5AOP) will be active from the village of Astris, Thassos

Island (IOTA EU-174, GIOTA NAS-037, MIA MG-124, WLOTA 4186) between 27 July and 1 August 2011. This will include an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (30-31 July). QSL via home calls, via HA bureau or direct. [HA0HW]

27/07/2011: A French and Belgian team will conduct an IOTA DXpedition to the Glenan Archipelago (IOTA EU-094) between 27 July and 3 August 2011, using the callsign TM1G. The team consists of French Ops: Didier F1LLV, Didier F4ELJ, Jef F6CNM, Pierre F8DHM and Nicolas F8FKD along with Belgian Ops: Robert ON4LRG, Luc ON4LUC, Nicolas ON4VK, Janny ON5PO, Paul ON6DP, Pierre ON7PC and Eric ON7RN. During the IOTA Contest (30-31st July) they will be on St. Nicolas Island (IOTA EU-094, DIFM AT-010, WFF FFF-200, WW Loc. IN77XR). The FFF-200 is a NEW ONE reference for the French Fauna & Flora Award. After the IOTA Contest, the team will split into two groups and activate a few different reference awards such as DFCF, DIFM, ARLHS. While one group continues to transmit from St. Nicolas Island, a second group will move to three islands within the Glenan Archipelago: Bananec Island (EU-094, DIFM AT-064, WW Loc. IN87AR); Cigogne Island (EU-094, DFCF 29-004, DIFM AT-061, WW Loc. IN87AR); and Penfret Island (EU-094, DIFM AT-059, DPLF PB-038, ARLHS FRA-047, WLOTA 0321, WW Loc. IN87AR), Province of Brittany (DPF 06). QSL via ON6DP (direct, bureau, LoTW, eQSL.cc). Website: www.qrz.com/db/TM1G [dx-world]

27/07/2011: W4T will once again be active from Tangier Island (IOTA NA-083, USi VA001S, WLOTA 3049, Accomack County), Virginia, on 27-31 July 2011. Operators include Vic W4VIC, Barry K5VIP, Butch KE4AZL, Rich N2XQM, Talley W4TVG, Quint K4CQW, Joe KI4RKB, Jose N4BAA and Ron W8RJL. The will also be a Multi-Op Island DXpedition category in the RSGB IOTA Contest (30-31st July). Outside the contest, they will be QRV on 80-10 metre CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL direct (SASE/IRC Please) via K5VIP for a special expedition card. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW at the end of the expedition. QSL requests without SAE/IRC will be returned via bureau. Website: www.qcwa-ch119.org/ [rsgbiota.org]

27/07/2011: Operators Paul M0TZO, Peter 2E0SQL, Gavin M1BXF, Iain M0PCB, Louis MU6FER and Chloe M0GEJ will be active as MP0HTJ from the island of Guernsey (IOTA EU-114, WLOTA 0013) between 27th July and 2nd of August 2011, including an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (30-31st July). Look for activity on all HF bands. QSL via M0TZO, direct or bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

28/07/2011: Daniel, DK3CH, will be active as 9A/DK3CH from Dugi Otok (IOTA EU-170, ACIA IC-367, CIA-10, IOCA CI-018, MIA MC-074, WFF 9AFF-002, WLOTA 2375) between 28th July and 10th August 2011. Activity will include the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 30-31st). QSL via his home call, bureau or direct. [OPDX Bulletin]

28/07/2011: Volker, DL1WH will be active holiday style from Amrum Island (IOTA EU-042, GIA N-018, WLOTA 2464) from 28 July to 5 August 2011. He will operate mainly CW with 100 watts to a vertical or dipole. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [425 DX News]

28/07/2011: Yuri, N3QQ, and possibly others will be active as KL7RRC from Adak Island (IOTA NA-039, USi AK008S, WLOTA 1258, WW Loc. AO11QS) starting 28th July and ending 3 August 2011, RSGB IOTA Contest (30-31 July) included. If transportation is available Yuri will activate Kiska Island (IOTA NA-070, USi AK197S, Grid Loc. RO81), Aleutians West, from 6-12th of August. QRV on 40-6 meters using CW and SSB, from both locations. QSL via N7RO for North America and via UA9OBA for Europe. [NG3K]

28/07/2011: Look for Chris, LA8OM, to be active as homecall/p from the island of Finn?y (IOTA EU-055) on 28-31 July 2011, including the RSGB IOTA Contest as a Single-Op/CW/24-Hour entry. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [NG3K]

28/07/2011: Operators Hans DO3HJW, Robert DH8HD, DL3LED, Olaf DL4HG and Andy DL7AT will be active as OZ0TX between 28 July and 1 August 2011, including an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (30-31st July) from Mando [Mandoe, Mand?] Island (IOTA EU-125, DIA NS-003, WW Loc. JO45GG). Look for them to be QRV on all HF bands, SSB and CW. QSL via DL7AT, bureau or direct. [rsgbiota.org]

28/07/2011: Look for Lars, SM6CUK, to be active from Ven Island (IOTA EU-137, WLOTA 0780) as SA6G/7 between 28 July and 1 August 2011. He will also participate in the RSGB IOTA Contest. QSL via SM6CUK (QRZ.com). [rsgbiota.org]

28/07/2011: Remi F0GHK, Michel F1SRC, Jean-Yves F4EHM, Mickael F4FFZ, Gwenael F4FHZ, Chris F5CBQ and Jean-Francois F6DZD will be active as TM2BI from Belle-Ile-en-Mer (IOTA EU-048, DIFM AT-015, WLOTA 0872) between 28th July and 2nd August 2011. They will be QRV on 80-2 metres and will participate in the IOTA Contest. QSL via F6KPQ. [425 DX News]

29/07/2011: Alex, IZ4AMS, will activate Sveti Nikola Island (IOTA EU-110, ACIA IC-016, IOCA CI-118, MIA MC-414, WLOTA 3152) as 9A8AMS between 29th July and 1st August 2011. This includes an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (30-31st July). Expect Alex to be QRV on all HF bands, propagation permitting. QSL via 9A8AMS, direct or Bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

29/07/2011: Ma, BD4JWU will be active as BD4JWU/4 from Chang Island [Chang Dao] (IOTA AS-146), Changdao County, Yantai prefecture, Shandong province, China, on 29-31 July 2011. Look for activity on 80-10 metre CW (plus possibly 6m). QSL via home call. [425 DX News]

29/07/2011: Peter, DC1HPS (EPC #5373), will be active on 29-31st July 2011 as homecall/p from Pellworm Island (IOTA EU-042, DID N-23, WLOTA 1188) for the RSGB IOTA Contest. Outside of the contest he will be QRV on the HF bands, with focus on the digital modes. Further information at: www.qrz.com/db/DC1HPS [rsgbiota.org]

29/07/2011: Look for Pete M1PTR, Bernard G3SHF, Carsten G0SYP, David M0DCB, Evan M0TJU, Chris G8HCB, Christine 2E0LMG and Kieron M5KJM to be active as GW5O from Holy [aka Ynys Gybi] Island (IOTA EU-124, WLOTA 3338), Wales, between 29th July and 1st August 2011, including an entry in the RSBG IOTA Contest (30-31st July). QSL via the bureau. Website: www.g5o.org.uk/ [rsgbiota.org]

29/07/2011: Members of the Dodecanese DX Group will be active from Kasos Island (IOTA EU-001, GIOTA DKS-013, MIA MGD-014, WLOTA 1610) on 29-31 July 2011 as J45K. They will be active on HF bands and will be active in RSGB IOTA Contest. QSL via the SV bureau. [dx-world.net]

29/07/2011: Joe, K5KUA, will be active as K5KUA/5 from Galveston Island (IOTA NA-143, USi TX001S), Galveston County, Texas, from 29 July to 1 August 2011. This will include a Single-Op entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (30-31 July). QRV on all HF bands, propoagation permitting. QSL via home call, bureau or direct. [rsgbiota.org]

29/07/2011: On Friday, 29 July 2011, Bobby, MI0RYL/p will activate the Greencastle Royal Castle (WW Loc. IO64WA), Kilkeel, County Down, Northern Ireland. She will be QRV on the HF bands, propagation permitting. This operationcounts as a new reference for the CASHOTA program. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [CASHOTA N. IRELAND]

29/07/2011: Look for Dennis, M0LSB, to be active from the island of Baleshare (IOTA EU-010, IOSA OH26, SCOTIA HI11) on 29-31 July 2011 as MM0LSB/p. QRV on, or around, the usual island and IOTA frequencies. Dennis will be active from various Outer Hebrides (EU-010) Islands until mid August. QSL via M0LSB, direct

or bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

29/07/2011: Ian, MM0TFU, will be active as homecall/p from the Isle of Arran (IOTA EU-123, IOSA CL01, SCOTIA CS14) from 29-30th July 2011. QRV from Blackwaterfoot on the west side of Arran for the IOTA contest. QSL direct only to home call. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW. [rsgbiota.org]

29/07/2011: Eric W4OTN, Amanda KI4IWS, Robin WA4WPD, Bill KG4CXY (FISTS #7651), John KE4TZN and David KI4BKC will be active as N4I from Core Banks Barrier Island (IOTA NA-067, USi NC033S, WLOTA 0596), Pamlico County, North Carolina, between 29th July and the 1st of August 2011, including an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (30-31st July). Outside the contest they will be QRV on 80-10m CW and SSB. Operation on 6m and satellites is being planned as well. QSL W4OTN via the bureau or direct (QRZ.com). [rsgbiota.org]

29/07/2011: Mike, DG5LAC and Petra, DB1LPS will be active as OZ/DG5LAC from Bjorno Island (IOTA EU-172, DIA FY-020) between 29 July and 1 August 2011. QRV on 80-10 metre SSB, including a Single-Op or Multi-Op entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest (30-31 July). QSL direct or bureau to DG5LAC. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL. [rsgbiota.org]

29/07/2011: Look for Rene, DL2JRM, to be active as OZ/DL2JRM/p from Romo Island (IOTA EU-125, DIA NS-001) from 29-31 July 2011. He will be QRV in the RSGB IOTA Contest using CW/SSB with 100W and vertical antenna. QSL via home call, bureau or direct. NO eQSL! [rsgbiota.org]

29/07/2011: Hans J?rgen ("Joe"), OZ7BQ, will be homecall/p on the HF bands from Drej? Island (IOTA EU-172, DIA FY-011) between 29 July and 5 August 2011, including an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest. QSL via home call, bureau preferred and LoTW. [rsgbiota.org]

29/07/2011: Members of the Casa Do Radioamador de Pernambuco Club Station (PY7CRA) will be active on 29-31 July 2011 from Itamaraca Island (IOTA SA-046, DIB PE-01), Pernambuco State, Brazil. This will include an entry in the RSGB IOTA Contest. Operators include Luiz PU7RLM, Alex PY7AHA, Cris PY7GK, Tony PY7OO, Ben PY7VI and Jim PY7XC. Look for them to be QRV on all HF bands, propagation permitting. QSL via PY7CRA, direct or bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

29/07/2011: Operators Jean-Jacques ON7EQ, Noel ON4NS, Pascal ON5RA, Roger ON6WU, Ann ON5ANN, Bart ON7BT, Martin ON4VMA, Jack ON5OO, Mich ON8DM and Charlotte ON7CO will be active as TM7T from Grande Ile (DIFM MA004, WLOTA 0424), Chausey Islands (IOTA EU-039, DDFM 50, DPF 04) on 29-31 July 2011. They will participate in the RSBG IOTA Contest (30-31st July) on 80-10 metre SSB and CW (Multi-Op, 24 hrs) with competitive station. QSL direct or bureau to ON7EQ. No eQSL! [rsgbiota.org]

29/07/2011: Al VA3KAI, Norm VE3VY and Barrie VE3BSB will activate Grosse Boule ["the big ball"] (IOTA NA-125, CIsA New One!), located near Sept-Iles, C?te-Nord region, Quebec, between 29th July and 1st of August 2011. Expect activity on all HF bands, maily SSB and CW. A special event callsign has been applied for and will be posted when obtained. Additional team members from Lanark-North Leeds ARES group are expected to be added. QSL via VA3KAI, direct or bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

29/07/2011: Andrew, VK4NM and Peter, VK4LAT will be active as VK4NM/p between 29 July and 1 August 2011 from Fraser Island (IOTA OC-142, WFF VKFF-186, WLOTA 2976), QLD, Australia. Their primary activity will be in the RSGB IOTA Contest (30-31st July). QRV on 80-10 metres. QSL direct to M0OXO (QRZ.com). [rsgbiota.org]

29/07/2011: Operators Jeff W6UX, Rick AE6RS, Tom WA6WPG and Tim K6GEP will be active as homecall/p from Anacapa Island (IOTA NA-144, USi CA002S, WLOTA 1300, WW Loc. DM04HA), Ventura County, California from 29-31 July 2011. They will also participate in the RSGB contest using the callsign W6UX/p (QSL via K6GEP), a Multi-Op CW and SSB entry. Outside the contest 40-6m, including WARC, will be activated. QSL via home calls. [iota-contest]

29/07/2011: Members of the NA-128 Contest Group will activate the special callsign XM2I on 29-31 July 2011 from Ile-aux-Grues (IOTA NA-128, CIsA QC-038, Grid FN47RB, ARLHS CAN-973 [Historic]), Province of Quebec. They will also be QRV in the RSGB IOTA Contest (30-31 July) as a Multi-Single entry. After the contest, there may be a short operation from the Pointe aux Pins lighthouse (ARLHS CAN-1390, WW Loc. FN47RB) located on Ile-aux-Grues, and activation of Isle aux Oies (private island (CIsA QC-039, WW Loc. FN47SD). QRV on 80-6m SSB, CW and RTTY and PSK31, with one station dedicated to 6m. QSL via VE2CQ, bureau or direct. Website: www.qsl.net/na128cg/ [islandchaser.com]

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LOOKING AHEAD -

30/07/2011: Renato, S57UN, will be active as 9A/S57UN from the island of Rab (IOTA EU-136, ACIA IC-168, CIA-38, IOCA CI-096, MIA MC-330, WLOTA 2198) during the RSGB IOTA Contest, as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

30/07/2011: Korea Contest Club members Rew DS4NYE, Jeong DS1OYR, Jeon DS1EVQ, Han DS2GOO, Joon DS3MLG, Sang DS4NMJ and Kim HL1OYF will activate Anmyon Island (IOTA AS-080) for the RSGB IOTA Contest (30-31 July), using the callsign D93I. Plans are to be a Multi OP Island Fixed entry. QSL via DS4NYE, direct only (QRZ.com). [NG3K]

30/07/2011: The Radio Club de Sevran (F5KKD) will be active as homecall/p from the island of Sein (IOTA EU-068, DIFM AT007, WLOTA 2721), French Brittany, for the RSGB IOTA Contest. The team will include Bastien F4EYQ, Jean-Francois F4EYR and maybe others. QSL via F5KKD. [F5NQL]

30/07/2011: Antoine, F5RAB, will be F5RAB/p from Ratonneau Island (IOTA EU-095, DIFM ME003) for the RSGB IOTA Contest with 100w and dipole. QSL via home call. [F6AJA]

30/07/2011: Look for Declan EI9HQ, Ger EI4GXB, Rory EI4DJB, Pete GI4VIV and Victor GI4ONL to be active in the RSGB IOTA Contest as GI8P from the Rathlin Island East lighthouse (ARLHS NTI-011, BARLS A6062, WLH GI-001, WLOTA 0039) Rathlin Island (IOTA EU-122). QSL via operators' instructions. [NG3K]

30/07/2011: The Jersey Amateur Radio Society will be active for the RSGB IOTA Contest as GJ2A from St. Brelade, Isle of Jersey (IOTA EU-013, WLOTA 0818). Look for activity on all HF bands. QSL direct to K2WR, for USA stations. QSL also OK via GJ3DVC (QRZ.com). NO eQSL. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW. [NG3K]

30/07/2011: Operators Giuseppe IT9ATQ, Alfio IT9EJW, Giovanni IT9GAC, Andrea IT9RKR, Sebastiano IT9RYJ, Eugenio IT9VKY, Dario IT9ZZO, Eugenio IW9BCW, Davide IW9GUR, Angelo IW9HLI and Andrea IW9HQP will participate in the RSGB IOTA Contest (30-31 July) as IT9EJW/p from Lachea Island (IOTA EU-166, IIA CT-002, MIA MI-049). QSL via IT9EJW, direct or bureau. [IT9EJW]

30/07/2011: Steve, KD0ETC/p, will activate several islands and lighthouses in the Apostle Island National Lakeshore (National Park), Lake Superior, Wisconsin, between 30 July and 5 August 2011. He will setup base camp on York Island (USi WI017) and will travel to the other islands by kayak. Dates and operating times will all depend on the weather affecting travel by kayak, and maintaining

charged batteries with a solar collector. QRV on 20 metres primarily, SSB only. He may do 40 metres in the evening using a larger loading coil on the vertical. Plans are to activate Sand Island (USi WI018L) and lighthouse (ARLHS USA-722, WLOTA 2287); Raspberry Island (USi WI019, WLOTA 1894) and lighthouse (ARLHS USA-688); and Devils Island (USi WI015) and lighthouse (ARLHS USA-228, WLOTA 1790). QSL direct only to KD0ETC with SASE. [N8OFS]

30/07/2011: Sergio, NP3QE, will be active in the RSGB IOTA Contest from Puerto Rico (IOTA NA-099, USi PR006S, WLOTA 2802), as a IOTA-Fixed/Single-Op/Single-Band (20m)/Low-Power/12-Hour entry. QSL via QRZ.com. [NG3K]

30/07/2011: Stathis, SV5DKL, will participate in 2011 RSGB IOTA Contest (30-31 July) from the island of Rhodes (GIOTA DKS-006, MIA MGD-028, WLOTA 0045), Dodecanese (IOTA EU-001), as a IOTA-Fixed/Single-Op/High-Power/CW/24-Hour entry. QSL via LoTW or QRZ.com [NG3K]

01/08/2011: Makoto, JI5RPT, will be active from Chichijima Island (IOTA AS-031, JCG #10007, WFF JAFF-090, WLOTA 2269, Grid Loc. QL17), Ogasawara, as JD1BLY from 1-7 August 2011. QRV on 40-6 metre CW, SSB, Digital modes and Satellite (NO 6m EME). QSL via home call. Website and online log search at: www.ji5rpt.com/jd1/ [NG3K]

06/08/2011: John, K4BAI, will once again be active from the WW4LL QTH in Sharpsburg, Coweta County, Georgia, as W4AN for the North American CW QSO Party (6-7 August). QSL W4AN via K4BAI. [K4BAI]

12/08/2011: Geoffrey, F4FVI and Chris, HB9ELV will be active from Barbatre (WW Loc. IN86WV), Noirmoutier Island (IOTA EU-064, DIFM AT-020, WLOTA 1224) on the 12, 13 and 14 of August 2011 with the callsign TM0NOI. QRV on all HF bands, propagation permitting. QSL via the bureau to F4FVI. If you need a direct reply, QSL via HB9ELV with SASE/SAE + sufficient postage. Full information is available at: www.qrz.com/db/TM0NOI [islandchaser.com]

19/08/2011: Special event station ZL4RUGBY will be active between 19th August and 31st October 2011 from the South Island of New Zealand (IOTA OC-134, WLOTA 0342) for the 2011 Rugby World Cup (www.rugbyworldcup.com/), which will be held in various locations of New Zealand between 9 September and 23 October. Expect activity on all HF bands. QSL via ZL4PW, direct (QRZ.com) or via the bureau. NO eQSL. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW. Website: www.qrz.com/db/ZL4RUGBY [ZL4PW]

01/09/2011: Gab, HA3JB, will once again be active from Cairo, Egypt, as SU/HA3JB between 1 September and 30 November 2011. QRV on the HF bands using CW, RTTY, PSK31 and some SSB. There is the possibility Gab will be active in the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (24-25 September). QSL via HA3JB, direct (see QRZ.com). [AT International]

29/10/2011: Sig, NV7E, will be active as 5Z4EE from Nairobi, Kenya (WW Loc. KI88JS, CQ Zone 37) during the CQWW SSB Contest (29-30 October) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL 5Z4EE direct (QRZ.com) or via NV7E direct or bureau, not the Kenya QSL bureau. [NG3K]

23/11/2011: Dave, WJ2O, will be active as KH6/WJ2O from the KH6RC rental QTH located in Ocean View, island of Hawaii (IOTA OC-019, USi HI025S, WLOTA 0065, WW Loc. BK29CC), Hawaii county, Hawaii, from 23 to 30 November 2011. He will also participate in the CQWW DX CW Contest (26-27 November). Outside the contest Dave plans to be QRV on the WARC bands, 100% CW, no phone, no digital, no six meters. He will also be running my "near real time logging" from wj2o.com/. QSL direct to home call (QRZ.com). [NG3K]

03/03/2012: Look for Sig, NV7E, to be active as 5Z4EE from Nairobi, Kenya (WW Loc. KI88JS) during the ARRL DX SSB Contest (3-4 March 2012) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL 5Z4EE direct (QRZ.com) or via NV7E direct or bureau, not the Kenya QSL bureau. [NG3K]

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SPECIAL EVENTS -

23/07/2011: TK9VOCE, will be aired starting in the afternoon of 23 July until July 24, by Corsican Hams, from the convent of Cervione for the 40th anniversary of the ADECEC - Voce Nustrale. QRV all modes and bands, HF, VHF (except 50 MHz which is forbidden there), and UHF. QSL via TK1LG. [F5NQL]

23/07/2011: The year 2011 is the 100th anniversary of Turkish Air Force. In May, TCSWAT was on the air as TC100HKK. For those who missed having a QSO for the 100th anniversary, TCSWAT will once more be on the air using a special callsign, but this time as TC100TAF on 23-31 July 2011. Activity will be on the HF bands, mainly SSB, but look out for BPSK31 and SSTV signals especially during the nights! QSL via TA1HZ, direct or bureau. [OPDX Bulletin]

23/07/2011: Special event station TC7EYOF will be active on 23-30 July 2011 for the 11th European Youth Olympic Festival to be held in Trabzon, Republic of Turkey. QSL via YM7KA, direct (QRZ.com). [425 DX News]

25/07/2011: On 29-30 July 2011, on the Kiev water basin in Vyshgorod, Ukraine, the F1 Power Boat Grand Prix 2011 will be held. Bogdan, UT7UU, will operate special event station EO2011U for this event using the callsign EO2011U. QRV between 25 July and 5 August 2011, on most of the HF bands, using SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK 31/63. QSL via UT7UU. [QRZ.ru]

27/07/2011: Amateur radio stations have been set up at each World Scout Jamboree since 1957. They provide live-links from the Jamboree to the home countries of the participants over short-wave radio as well as being interesting stations for other radio amateurs to contact. From 27 July till 7 August 2011, the 22nd World Scout Jamboree at Rinkaby in Sweden will be on the air with call sign SJ22S (Scout Jamboree No 22 Sweden). This is a special event callsign. The station will offer an exciting radio-scouting programme including kit building and fox hunting to the Jamboree participants. Jim, ZL2APE, who is the NZ National Organiser for the Scout Jamborees on the Air, will be one of the station operators. Further information, frquencies and QSL route can be found under SJ22S on QRZ.com. [Southgate ARC]

29/07/2011: Special event station GB2VET will be active on 29-30 July 2011 for the vetrans weekend in Kingston upon Hull. It is run by the royal airforce amateur radio society. Further information can be found on QRZ.com under GB2VET. QSL via G0SWO. [Pete's-DX-Newsdesk]

29/07/2011: The Council of Europe Radio Amateur Club will be active 29, 30 and 31 July 2011 (IOTA contest) with the callsign TP50CE. QRV all HF bands, propagation permitting. QSL via F5LGF. [F6FQK]

U.S.A. Special Events can be found at: www.arrl.org/special-event-stations

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LIGHTHOUSE CALENDAR -

22/07-02/08 IM0P: Isola di San Pietro WLOTA:2989 QSL IZ1DNJ (d/b)
22/07-24/07 PA/ON4LO/P: Schouwen-Duiveland WLOTA:3089 QSL ON4LO (d/b)
23/07-15/08 8P9XC: Barbados Island WLOTA:0999 QSL DF1XC (d/b)
23/07-30/07 ID9/IK8YFU: Isola Stromboli WLOTA:1996 QSL HC (d/b)
23/07-06/08 TK11QRP: Sanguinaires Island WLOTA:0098 QSL F8BBL (d/b)
23/07-24/07 TK9VOCE: Corsica Island WLOTA:1390 QSL TK1LG (d/b)

24/07 IC8L: Licosa Island WAIL:CA-020 WLH:I-019 WLOL:ITA-089
WLOTA:3342 QSL IZ8EGM (d/b)
24/07-05/08 OZ7VEA: Bornholm Island WLOTA:2203 QSL DL7VEA (d/b)
24/07-31/07 WB8YJF/4: Ocracoke Island WLOTA:0466 QSL HC (d/b)
24/07-09/08 ZD8D: Ascension Island WLOTA:1491 QSL d/b
25/07-29/07 GS2UG: Killantringan BARLS:A4606X WLOL:SCO-111 WLOTA:1234
QSL QRZ.com
25/07-29/07 GS2UG: Portpatrick BARLS:A4607 WLOL:SCO-177 WLOTA:1234
QSL QRZ.com
25/07-29/07 GS2UG: Southerness BARLS:A4653X WLOL:SCO-223 WLOTA:1234
QSL QRZ.com
25/07-01/08 SX8R: Nisos Thasos WLOTA:4186 QSL HA0NAR (d/b)
25/07-01/08 VE3ZZ/VY2: Prince Edward Island WLOTA:0523 QSL HC (d/b)
26/07-29/07 V63FAA: Kosrae Island WLOTA:1569 QSL W6ANM (d/LoTW)
27/07-03/08 ES4GP or ES4WK: Vaindloo Islet WLOTA:1142 QSL ES5GP (b)
27/07-01/08 J48JJ: Nisos Thasos WLOTA:4186 QSL HA7JJS (d/b)
27/07-01/08 J48NL: Nisos Thasos WLOTA:4186 QSL HA6NL (d/b)
27/07-01/08 J48P: Nisos Thasos WLOTA:4186 QSL HA7PL (d/b)
27/07-01/08 SV8/HA5AOP: Nisos Thasos WLOTA:4186 QSL HC (d/b)
28/07-10/08 9A/DK3CH: Dugi Island WLOTA:2375 QSL HC (d/b)
28/07-05/08 DL1WH/P: Amrum Island WLOTA:2464 QSL HC (d/b)
28/07-03/08 KL7RRC: Adak Island WLOTA:1258 QSL N7RO (d)
28/07-02/08 MP0HTJ: Guernsey Island (main) WLOTA:0013 QSL M0TZO (d/b)
28/07-01/08 SA6G/7: Ven WLOTA:0780 QSL SM6CUK (d)
28/07-02/08 TM2BI: Belle Ile Island WLOTA:0872 QSL F6KPQ (d/b)
29/07-01/08 9A8AMS: Sveti Nikola Island WLOTA:3152 QSL Buro
29/07-31/07 AE6RS/P: East Anacapa Island WLOTA:1300 QSL HC (d)
29/07-31/07 DC1HPS/P: Pellworm WLOTA:1188 QSL HC (d/b)
29/07-01/08 GW5O: Holy Island WLOTA:3338 QSL Buro
29/07-31/07 J45K: Nisos Kasos WLOTA:1610 QSL SV Buro
29/07-31/07 K6GEP/P: East Anacapa Island WLOTA:1300 QSL HC (d)
29/07-01/08 N4I: Core Banks Barrier Island WLOTA:0596 QSL W4OTN (d/b)
29/07-31/07 TM7T: Chausey Isl (Grande Ile) WLOTA:0424 QSL ON7EQ d/b
29/07-01/08 VK4NM/P: Fraser Island WLOTA:2976 QSL M0OXO (d)
29/07-31/07 WA6WPG/P: East Anacapa Island WLOTA:1300 QSL HC (d)

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6 METRES & UP -

5W0GJ on 6m EME -
Now that the summer Es season is winding down, it is time to remind you again that it is time for some half million mile 6m DXing to begin again! In case any of you serious 6m operators with digital mode capability still need Samoa (5W), this is a reminder that I am going there in only FOUR WEEKS! All you need is some decent ground gain for your 6m yagi, an amplifier and JT65A mode. For North and South American stations, I will be elevating on MY end, so you can just keep your antenna aimed at the horizon during your moonset during the last days of August. With ground gain and optimum EME cndx, amazing things are possible - I worked N3CXV with his single 6M5X yagi on both my previous DXpeditions to 3D2 and E51. For European stations, our best chance is during the week of August 22 during my moonrise. Although cndx are not as good then as on the last weekend of August, it is also your moonset, so we have a good chance of ground gain on both ends, which should make up for the difference in Degradation.
If you are one of the numerous 6m stations who have recently added elevation, please try to catch up with me during my moonrise out over the water. I expect that to be my best direction. I was surprised to find W7CE with his single

6M9KHW pointed up in the air was one of the first stations I worked during my first moonrise from 3D2 last fall! Full information is on my website below and also will be updated there and on the MMM on VHF DXpedition website: http://www.bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/Samoa2011.htm - Please read the information on my website about my schedule and also familiarize yourself with the procedure I use for my 6m EME DXpeditions: http://www.bigskyspaces.com/w7gj/DXpedition%20Procedure.pdf I am excited about handing out a new DXCC to many deserving 6m operators who take the time to get on and look for me on JT65A mode. Please spread out and only work me once, to allow others an opportunity for a contact during these limited days! I hope to be able to update a list of stations worked from time to time as I can find a place with internet access. I hope you also will be able to add a 5W0GJ QSL card on your wall ;-) GL and VY 73, Lance, W7GJ. [MMMonVHF]

22/07-02/08 IM0P: San Pietro Isl EU-165 Grid:JM49 6m 100w QSL IZ1DNJ (d/b)
23/07-24/07 EADX 6M Contest CW/SSB 23 1400z-24 1400z
23/07-30/07 ID9/IK8YFU: Stromboli Island EU-017 Grid:JM78 6m QSL HC (d/b)
23/07 K9G: Gus Grissom Day Grid:EM68 50.200USB QSL W9QYQ (d)
23/07-02/08 LA/SP7IDX: Vega Island EU-062 6m 6el yagi/500W QSL HC (d/b)
23/07-02/08 LA/SP7VC: Vega Island EU-062 6m 6el yagi/500W QSL HC (d/b)
24/07 W.A.B. 144MHz QRO Phone 1000z-1400z
25/07-01/08 SX8R: Thassos Isl EU-175 Grid:KN20 6m CW/SSB QSL HA0NAR (d/b)
26/07 LY 1.2G&Up Activity Contest CW/SSB/FM 1700z-2059z
27/07-03/08 ES4GP: Vaindloo Islet EU-149 Grid:KO39 6m 500w 4el QSL ES Buro
27/07-07/08 SJ22S: World Scout Jamboree Sweden Grid:JO76 6/2m QSL QRZ.com
27/07-31/07 W9ZL: EAA Airventure Grid:EN54 52.550FM Certificate QSL Direct
28/07-03/08 KL7RRC: Adak Island NA-039 Grid:AO11 6m QSL N7RO (d)
29/07-31/07 AE6RS/P: Anacapa Island NA-144 Grid:DM04 6m CW/SSB QSL HC (d)
29/07-31/07 K6GEP/P: Anacapa Island NA-144 Grid:DM04 6m CW/SSB QSL HC (d)
29/07-31/07 W6UX/P: Anacapa Island NA-144 Grid:DM04 6m CW/SSB QSL HC (d)
29/07-31/07 WA6WPG/P: Anacapa Island NA-144 Grid:DM04 6m CW/SSB QSL HC (d)
29/07-31/07 XM2I: Ile-aux-Grues NA-128 Grid:FN47 6m CW/SSB QSL VE2CQ (d/b)

Contest Calendar: www.qsl.net/va3rj/con_may.html

GOT6??? - Six Meter Information by Andy 'NEON' Sargent N8OFS at: http://noars.net/got6/GOT6.txt (Updated 29 June, 2011)

Information about current VHF activities can be found on the VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: www.MMMonVHF.de/

SMIRK: www.smirk.org/
SOTA (Summits On The Air) Watch Alerts at: www.sotawatch.org/
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QSL INFORMATION -

May be some one still want a card for FT5ZB/FT0ZB and/or FT2XE from 1988. LNDX has printed a small batch of card and you send a request (direct or bureau) to F3CJ:
Joel Cathelain, 4 hameau des Tilleuls, Les Antennes, F-62118 Pelves
[Jean Michel F6AJA]

QSLs via Bureau: 7X2ARA, C91YI, DL2DSL, EA1ARW, EA8/DL1ARD, GB6MD, GJ7DNI/P, IR2C, MU?FAL, PJ2/DL5RDP, PJ4/G4IUF, PQ?F, S9DX, T?6T, TM32CDXC, TO5SM, TS7C, V25VG3N, YJ?MM, YO3KPA and Z21DXI.

QSLs via Direct: 4L6AM (EA7FTR), 9K2VO (QRZ.com), FG5FR (QRZ.com), HZ1FI (DL2RMC), LZ2WO (QRZ.com), OD5/DL6SN (DO8LA), SV2ASP/A (QRZ.com), T6AF (EB7DX),

VP8ORK (VE3XN), YN2ER (N5ET), YN2ET (N5ET), YN2MG (N5ET) and ZB3R (QRZ.com).

QSLs via LoTW: 3C?C, 3C9B, 5X1VB, 5Z4/UA4WHX/A, C6A/N5KM, PP?T, PZ5RA, S9DX, ST2VB, T31A and ZS8MI.

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LINKS -

IOTA (Islands On The Air) at: www.rsgbiota.org/
WCA (World Castles on the Air) at: www.wca.qrz.ru/ENG/main.html
WFF (World Flora & Fauna) at: wff44.com/
WLOTA (World Lighthouses On The Air at: www.wlota.com/

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SILENT KEYS -

It is with sad news that I pass along Scott Lehman, N9AG, the QSL manager for PJ2T has become a silent key. N9AG was the longtime manager for nearly all of our operations at PJ2T answering literally hundreds of thousands QSL requests - he will be greatly missed.
If you are waiting for a PJ2T confirmation, please be patient.
73
Kelly - N0VD
CCC (PJ2T) member

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BITS & PIECES -

FO8RZ QRT -
Phil, FO8RZ, is now QRT all bands. 57604 QSO have been made. 12600 QSO with Europe. 239 countries QSO. 48 US states on 160m. 50 US states from 80 to 10m. Many, many QSLs to answer in the near future.
QSL direct via F8BPN or via buro now to F5PHW.
Website: http://f5phw.hamlogs.net/ [dx-world.net]

T6FR - AFGHANISTAN -
Francesco IZ8NWA is now active from Afghanistan as T6FR. Look for him on 20, 17, 15 & 10m - SSB/PSK. QSL direct only via IZ8OJG. [dx-world.net]

VE2 - QUEBEC, CANADA -
It is with pleasure that I announce the VE2SOTA association now have a group callsign, VA2OTA.
From time to time, activators from our province will activate VE2 summits using this call, which is exclusively to be used on any VE2SOTA summit.
So watch for VA2OTA, first operation this coming saturday, as always if WX agree ...
73 de JP VA2SG

International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend (ILLW) -
This annual amateur radio event was started in Scotland in 1995 by the late Mike Dalrymple (GM4SUC) and other members of Ayr Amateur Radio Group (AARG). The event is always held on the 3rd full weekend in August starting at 0001 UTC on Saturday and finishing at 2359 UTC on Sunday. It also coincides on the Sunday with International Lighthouse Day an event organised by the International Association of Lighthouse Keepers whereby many world lighthouses are open to the public for the day.
This years event takes place 20-21 August 2011 - Duration 48 hours.
The basic objective of the event is to promote public awareness of lighthouses and lightships and their need for preservation and restoration, and at the same time to promote amateur radio and to foster International goodwill.
So come and join us in the fun of the weekend, establish a station at a

lighthouse, lightship or maritime beacon. The more the merrier. If you decide to join us in the fun just fill in the official online entry form with your details. This will enable other stations to be aware of who is participating in the event. You may also send you entry, or any questions regarding the rules, via the "Contact Us" link in the main menu.
Website and further information at: http://www.illw.net/ [VK2CE]

ILLW milestone ahead of time -
With entries running well in advance of this time last year, the 300th is club station OH6NR located at R?vargrund Lighthouse in Finland.
One of seven received from that country, the milestone entry is for an island in Western Finland, to be activated by DXers as a club using the vanity callsign OH6N, who on their recent outings to R?vargrund favoured HF through 6-metres including the digimodes.
With 30 days to go there have been a steady average of five entries a day. This is to escalate in the final weeks and it's not too late to get permission to set up and make an entry.
Looking around the globe there's strong support from Argentina, Chile and interest from Brazil in South America. In the north there's Canada and the USA. In Oceania we have Australia, New Zealand and New Caledonia. While across to South East Asia to find Indonesia, Thailand, The Philippines and Malaysia. South Africa and has a presence, with entries also received from England, Europe, Portugal, Scandinavia, Spain, Lebanon and across to the Russia.
So far we have more than 40 countries in all including the smaller ones of the Azores, Azerbaijan, Gibraltar, Honduras, Namibia, Puerto Rico and Saint Lucia.
Visit the revised website at www.illw.net/ to check out the full list of entries, read more details or register for the International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend on August the 20th and 21st.
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73 and Good DX!
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